

**Marion Marine Resources Commission
Meeting Minutes
1/24/22 Zoom Meeting**

**RCVD MARION TOWN CLERK
2022 MAR 2 AM 10:04**

Members Present: Vin Malkoski (Chair), Peter Bosari, Emily Chandler, Joe Guard, Greg Houdelette, Eiv Strand

Guests: Isaac Perry (Harbormaster), Adam Murphy (Shellfish Officer), Mike Colageo (Wanderer), Emily Richmond (ORCTV)

The meeting was called to order at 1905

The minutes of the December 20, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Upon a motion by Eiv Strand and a second by Greg Houdelette, they were unanimously approved.

Issac Perry Reporting:

- The revised commercial mooring regulations were passed by the Select Board. Isaac noted that there were very few questions during the meeting.
- The Annual Report has been submitted and includes a revenue and expense report. Revenues in FY 21 were the highest yet received, approximately \$478,000. Much of the increase could be attributed to improved management practices and the creation of a new data base, as well as some increased boat sizes. At the same time, costs to the department have increased, including indirect costs.
- The Department will undergo a review with the Town Administrator to better identify primary responsibilities.
- Mooring assignments are under review. The 2022 invoices are being printed; the effort has been slowed by the need to move the office again.
- As previously noted, the loss of the Atlantis Drive facility is hindering work due to the storage limitations. The Department will be renting 2 20-foot containers that will be located at Island Wharf.

Adam Murphy Reporting:

- Adam noted recent staff changes at the Division of Marine Fisheries, including the retirement of long-time shellfish biologist, Greg Sawyer.
- With the new aquaculture regulations in place, renewal forms have been sent out.
- The Department is still waiting on a replacement CVA engine, but the CVA application has been approved. A new contract is in the works. In 2021, 876 boats were serviced, and 16,000 gallons of waste pumped out.
- The work boat engine has been replaced and the boat is back in the water.
- Peter Borsari asked if there were any thoughts about adding a smaller boat such as the old Whaler. Adam noted that some were under consideration.

New and Old Business:

- There were several questions relative to the new Marine Department office and Island Wharf.
 - Cost for the renovated restrooms – To be covered by the Building Department.
 - Parking issue – nothing to report
 - Status of the drainage swales – The area was clear-cut, and new plantings are being developed by an arborist.

With a motion by Greg Houdelette and a second by Eiv Strand, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 1930.

Respectfully submitted,
Vin Malkoski, Chair